

# E GENERATIONS

M.A.G.I.C. News for Members and Friends

## **Midwest Afro-American Genealogical Interest Coalition**

### **MAGIC's August 2022 Meeting**

When

Saturday, Aug. 6th, 12-2pm

Where

9420 James A Reed Road, Kansas City, MO,  
USA

More information

St. Luke's United Methodist Church  
9420 James A. Reed Rd.  
KCMO 64138

[Greater Kansas City Black History Study Group-Facebook](#)

Sign up for notices of monthly/regular meetings



## 'Black Citizenship in the Age of Jim Crow': National WWI Museum and Memorial

[Through September 2022](#)

Go.

SEE.

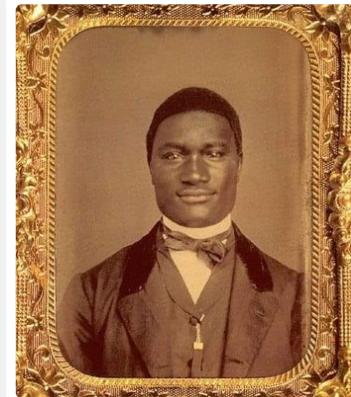
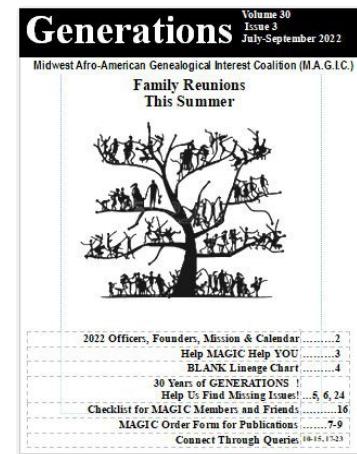
## Generations Quarterly (printed) in it's 30th Year

The current magazine, [July-September 2022](#), is linked here.

It is the third of four that will be produced this year.

Back issues are at: [magickc.org](http://magickc.org).

MAGIC's printed, quarterly edition of Generations magazine is in its third decade in 2022. This 30th volume is a milemarker; but, the Oct-Dec 2022 issue it is likely to be the last of the printed dinosaur.



### MAGIC

Do you have random family images?

### COLLECTS

Care to share copies, even anonymously?

### IMAGES

Please send usable scans to  
[magickc.org@gmail.com](mailto:magickc.org@gmail.com)

## Independence Examiner newspaper SEARCHABLE online

Currently only 1966-2007 is available. But imagine if the run was taken back to the earliest available issues in 1898. What kind of history would be KEY WORD searchable? As it is, you can use your Mid-Continent Public Library card to access NewspaperArchive!

go to [mymcpl.org](http://mymcpl.org)

go to Midwest Genealogy Center page

go to Research Databases

Click on Newspaper Archive.  
Click on Browse by location  
Click on Missouri.  
Click on Independence  
Click on Independence Examiner.  
Click on Browse all Independence Examiner.  
Then either search (on the left) or browse (on the right).  
Have FUN!

## Digitized KC Call Newspaper? Wouldn't It Be Great?

Can you imagine being able to search the Kansas City call by KEY WORDS? What an historical research and genealogical BOON it would be! It could happen.

Does anyone know The Call's publisher? Let's help get this done. Email [david.jackson@orderlypackrat.com](mailto:david.jackson@orderlypackrat.com)



## African American Heritage Trail of Kansas City (click)



### Dinah Robinson Courtyard, Weston, MO

MAGIC member Angela Hagenback is pleased to share the [Black Ancestors Awareness Campaign's Buy-a-Brick campaign](#), for the Dinah Robinson Courtyard in Weston, MO. Contrary to the "only 15 characters allowed" on the form, one can have up to 17-18 characters per line, depending on font size. Or one can use a company logo if desired. For more information, contact [Baac1837@gmail.com](mailto:Baac1837@gmail.com)

## Thoughts and Prayers

Please hold a moment of silence and send good thoughts to MAGIC members and friends.



Genealogy Helps for African Americans

## MAGIC's WEBSITE

Black Kansas City History Study Group-Website

### **Black Kansas City / Missouri Newspapers online at Library of Congress**

Courtesy MAGIC friend, Dolores Rush. Sometimes navigating through this database is TEDIOUS; but, be patient and try different ways for RESULTS:

[About The American Negro. \[volume\] \(Springfield, Mo.\) 1890-1890 « Chronicling America « Library of Congress \(loc.gov\)](#)

[About Kansas City daily journal. \[volume\] \(Kansas City, Mo.\) 1892-1897 « Chronicling America « Library of Congress \(loc.gov\)](#)

[About Kansas City journal. \[volume\] \(Kansas City, Mo.\) 1897-1928 « Chronicling America « Library of Congress \(loc.gov\)](#)

[About Kansas City observer. \[volume\]. \(Kansas City, Mo.\) 1896-19?? « Chronicling America « Library of Congress \(loc.gov\)](#)

[About The Kansas City sun. \(Kansas City, Mo.\) 1908-1924 « Chronicling America « Library of Congress \(loc.gov\)](#)

Border Star = [KANSAS CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY; STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF MISSOURI - Border Star Newspaper - Missouri Digital Heritage Hosted Collections \(oclc.org\)](#)

### **African American Genealogy Book Reviewed**

List of Free African Americans in the American Revolution: Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Maryland, and Delaware (Followed by the French and Indian Wars and Colonial Militias) by Paul Heinegg

If you have never transcribed and compiled data from historical documents, you cannot imagine the amount of time and dedication Paul Heinegg has contributed to producing this helpful genealogical resource. Each entry is precisely sourced—with citations derived from nearly 20 major resources and repositories—which includes online Fold3 urls. Cross references to other family members and compatriots add to the value of each veterans record of service. Even more specific, personable details abstracted from Revolutionary War pension records is a boon to genealogists. Even some Native Americans and Loyalists are discoverable in Heinegg's work. And, a comprehensive index pulls the multitude of surnames together to improve access into the interior of Heinegg's book. Heinegg also took it upon himself to summarize his results into a statistical breakdown making this book an historical reference, too. Before his results were published, it was unknown that over 420 free men of color served in the American Revolution from Virginia; another 400 served from North Carolina; 40 from South Carolina; 60 from Maryland, and 17 from Delaware. Names in each section run alphabetically, with a few entries at the end of each section that appear to be, although not clearly delineated, enslaved enlistments. Each entry could be the genesis for a biography in and of itself. Researchers finding a relative entry might continue their pursuits by consulting Heinegg's two larger works, *Free African Americans of North Carolina, Virginia, and South Carolina from the Colonial Period to About 1820*, and *Free African Americans of Maryland and Delaware to about 1810* (see separate critique by this reviewer). There, the potential to uncover further details and family connections is possible. Heretofore, African Americans have had far fewer compiled genealogical resources at their disposal, making it quite difficult to detect ancestors prior to 1870. While the pre-1865 is still very much a barrier, more thoroughly compiled resources such as Heinegg's is improving Black genealogy. My only criticism is structural...that headers to show the state in which the pages covered would improve navigation. This should not overshadow the sheer amount of reading and deciphering of ancient handwriting that is bewildering and worth applause in and of itself.

See the Mid-Continent Public Library's Midwest Genealogy Center for holdings.

~David W. Jackson (MAGIC newsletter editor (Midwest Afro-American Genealogical Interest Coalition), and Director, The Orderly Pack Rat)

## Register to VOTE!

Register as early as possible and know your plan of action come EVERY election day.

Jackson County, Missouri, voters: <https://jcebmo.org/>

Anyone else wish to share other KC metro county boards?



## Inconceivable Journey at Black Archives July 29

The Black Archives of Mid America in Kansas City is pleased to extend an invitation for you to join us for an evening of "Lights, Camera and Action" as we host the premiere screening of Inconceivable Journey at 6:00 P. M. on Friday, July 29, 2022, at the historic GEM Theater in the 18th and Vine Jazz District.

This exciting film is the product of our partnership with the National 400 Years of African American History Commission and Reel Images Films to tell the story of the journey that Africans brought to this

country made as they created Black Life in America. This history is broad, vast, and filled with the richness of the people who made that *Inconceivable Journey*. In addition to telling a beautiful historic and cinematically sound story, this movie produced a bonus for us as it unveiled the rich talents of our own Black Archives Youth Coalition Network (BAYCON) students, who identified the parts of that amazing journey that they deemed significant. They worked on all aspects of the film: research, writing, acting, wardrobe, production and even scene location. Our very own Board Member Michael Patton and other community artists such as Sonie Joi Ruffin worked with the students, our staff - Dr. Carma, Jason Williams, Solomon Shields, - and the filmmakers on the project helping with research, rehearsals, historical accuracy, and script writing.

It is indeed our honor to present this amazing movie. We want this film to be fully accessible to all persons in our community, so we are not charging admission. We, instead, are appealing to you for support. We would be delighted to confirm your participation at one of the sponsorship levels described below as a key supporter. In appreciation, your name and logo for major sponsors will be listed in the appropriate category on the program, shown on our promo reels, and spoken loudly during the program. Additionally, you will be invited to a special VIP reception prior to the premiere at the Black Archives.

We hope you will join us for this spectacular event and consider becoming a sponsor. If you are unable to attend, a contribution in support of the Black Archives of Mid America would be greatly appreciated. Please return the enclosed response form with your pledge by July 23, 2022, so that your name can be included as indicated or you may confirm your sponsorship on our website [www.blackarchives.org](http://www.blackarchives.org) on the donation tab.

Proceeds from the Premiere will benefit the ongoing development of our Youth group BAYCON as well as programs and exhibits that share the stories of African Americans and their contributions to the Greater Kansas City area and throughout the country.

#### Sponsorship Levels

Platinum - \$5,000+ Name and logo appear on all media, invitation to VIP party

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Patron - \$250 - \$499 Name will be listed, invitation to VIP party

Individual sponsorships of any amount appreciated

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact our offices at 816-221-1600 or [info@blackarchives.org](mailto:info@blackarchives.org).

Thank you so much for your support of the Black Archives of Mid-America in Kansas City. We very much appreciate you and look forward to your reply!

Sincerely,

Mark Davis, Fundraising Chair, Board Member Black Archives of Mid-America

Dr. Marjorie Williams, Board President, Black Archives of Mid-America in Kansas City

Dr. Carmalette Williams, CEO, Black Archives of Mid-America in Kansas City

